



You are invited to participate in the IPEMA final meeting on Practical solutions to the issue of piglet castration



Registration to the 2 hour meeting is free.

The meeting will take place on **Tuesday 15th September 2020**, 10:00-12:00; CEST

Further to participating in the meeting, registration gives you access to a questions/answers forum and more detailed information on the available practical solutions.

Aims of the meeting:

Scientists representing the IPEMA group share their views on practical solutions to the issue of piglet castration.

- ✓ The information provided is science-based and updated for the newest developments.
- ✓ The IPEMA group has been working together for 4 years within a COST action funded by the EU (<http://www.ca-ipema.eu/>).
- ✓ Please have a look at the 2 minute video announcing our meeting:
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=umfaPBqOrS4&feature=youtu.be>)
- ✓ Get more information on pros and cons of the various available solutions in our 6 minute information video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D5LOxHSmqao>

Organisation the meeting

- Virtual meeting on **Tuesday 15th September 2020, 10:00-12:00** (CEST – Central European Summer Time)
 - Part 1 (10:00-10:45): 6 short presentations from IPEMA leading scientists
 - Topics and questions relevant for farmers, slaughterhouses, meat processors, retailers, consumers, citizens and policy makers (*Ulrike Weiler, Germany and Michel Bonneau, France*)
 - How can we manage pork quality at production level?
(*Catherine Larzul, France and Giuseppe Bee, Switzerland*).
 - How can we manage pork quality at slaughter and processing levels?
(*Maria Font I Furnols, Spain and Martin Škrlep, Slovenia*)
 - How can we manage animal welfare? (*Eberhard von Borell, Germany*)
 - Is the market ready? (*Gé Backus, Netherlands*)
 - Are consumers open to it? (*Marijke Aluwé, Belgium*)
 - Part 2 (10:45-11:15): Panel discussion with stakeholders
(*moderated by Daniel Mörlein, Germany and Gé Backus, Netherlands*)
 - Part 3 (11:15-12:00): Questions and Answers
- More detailed information will be sent to registered participants ahead of the meeting
- Registered participants may ask questions in advance using a Padlet platform.
All relevant questions will receive an answer in writing from IPEMA scientists directly on the Padlet platform.
Selected questions will be answered orally during part 3 of the meeting.

How to participate?

- Register, using the form available at <https://app.sli.do/event/gwwa4ut7> ?
- Registration is free
- Registered participants will receive
 - Within a few days after registration, a link to the Padlet platform to enter their questions
 - A few days before the meeting on Tuesday 15th September 2020
 - A link to the Zoom conference
 - More detailed information on the issue of alternatives to piglet castrations from the point of view of Breeding and Genetics, Nutrition, Management & Housing, Meat Quality, Processing Industry, Consumer & Market